

House Resolution 1265

By: Representatives Hatfield of the 177th, Richardson of the 19th, Burkhalter of the 50th, Keen of the 179th, and Fleming of the 117th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Frank Eldridge, Jr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. Frank Eldridge, Jr., was born on July 29, 1932, in Waycross, Georgia, and
3 passed away February 4, 2006; and
- 4 WHEREAS, with his passing the State of Georgia has lost one of her most distinguished
5 public servants and a beloved friend of the Georgia General Assembly and its members; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Mr. Eldridge graduated from Gordon Military College in 1950 and went on to
7 become a respected and successful leader in the Waycross and Ware County business
8 community; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he devoted a lifetime of service to the people of Georgia, serving as a member
10 of the Georgia State Senate from 1965 to 1982; as executive director of the Georgia Public
11 Service Commission from 1988 to 1992; and as Secretary of the Senate for the Georgia State
12 Senate from 1993 until his death; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he was universally respected and admired for his wisdom, his knowledge of
14 legislative matters, his courtesy, his wit, and his unfailing devotion to the best interests of the
15 State of Georgia; and he performed countless selfless acts to serve the Georgia General
16 Assembly and its members; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Mr. Eldridge is survived by his wife, Leland Eldridge; his son, Pete Eldridge;
18 his daughter, Zeda Matich; his sister, Margaret Denton; five grandchildren; and three
19 great-grandchildren.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
21 the members of this body join in expressing to the family of Frank Eldridge, Jr., their

1 condolences in this time of loss and also join in honoring and paying tribute to the life and
2 memory of a most highly esteemed public servant who will be sorely missed by all who were
3 privileged to know him.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Leland Eldridge.